

In the Claims

What is claimed is:

1. (currently amended) A frame system for securing a window blind to a window, said frame system comprising a frame having at least two angle joints connecting at least three extruded portions to form a substantially rigid structure; wherein said a window blind may be attached to the frame and wherein the frame is configured to interact with and a frame-securing clip comprising a flange and a support extending substantially orthogonally from the flange generally along a support plane, wherein the flange is arranged for releasable retention insertion between a beading and/or gasket window easing and a glass pane of the window, within the window easing and the a support includes extending from the flange having at least one engaging member extending out of the support plane, the engaging member being configured to releasably engage a cooperating receptacle in the a frame, wherein the frame-securing clip is capable of releasably securing the frame to the window.

2. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 1 wherein the engaging member includes for a window blind comprising at least two angle joints connecting at least three extruded portions to form a substantially rigid structure; wherein said window blind may be attached to the frame and wherein the frame is configured to interact with a frame-securing clip comprising a flange for releasable insertion between a window easing and a glass pane within the window easing and a support extending from the flange having at least one engaging member, the engaging member being configured to retain the clip in position relative to a frame and including at least one portion for adjustably securing the frame to the window which facilitates the positioning of the frame at a plurality of distances from the window easing.

3. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 1, including wherein there are three extruded portions and three angle joints.

4. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 1, including wherein there are four extruded portions and four angle joints connecting four extruded portions.

5. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 1 wherein ~~the~~ each angle joint includes first and second arms extending from a body of the angle joint to form is at an angle therebetween in the range 10° - 170°.
6. (currently amended) A frame system according to ~~of~~ claim 1, including covers secured to respective ones of wherein the angle joints are hidden during use by a cover.
7. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 6 ~~of claim 1~~ wherein the covers are ~~cover is~~ made from a plastics or die cast material.
8. (currently amended) A frame system according to claim 1, including window blind ~~comprising~~ a blind secured to the frame ~~of claim 1~~.
9. (currently amended) A frame system ~~blind~~ according to claim 8 wherein the blind ~~which~~ is releasably secured to the frame with ~~using~~ frame-securing clips or screws.
10. (currently amended) A frame system ~~blind~~ according to claim 8 wherein the blind is a pleated, roller or Venetian blind.
11. (currently amended) A frame system ~~blind~~ according to claim 8 wherein the blind ~~is contained~~ housed entirely within an opening defined by the frame.
12. (currently amended) A frame system ~~blind~~ according to claim 8 wherein the blind includes ~~additionally comprising~~ a handle.
13. (currently amended) A frame system ~~blind~~ according to claim 12 wherein the handle is at a ~~the~~ moving edge of the blind.

14. (currently amended) A frame system blind according to claim 12 wherein the handle is shaped to allow extension complete closure of the blind throughout the opening of when secured to the frame.

15-19. (cancelled)

20. (currently amended) A kit for making a window blind frame system comprising:
a frame-securing clip for securing a window blind frame to a window casing, the window blind frame having first and second projections, said frame-securing clip having a flange and a support extending substantially orthogonally from the flange generally along a support frame for retaining interaction between the first and second projections of the frame, wherein the flange is arranged for releasable retention between the window casing and a pane of a window, and wherein the support includes at least one engaging member configured to releasably engage a cooperating receptacle in the window blind frame;

at least three extruded portions ~~one extruded portion which may be cut to size according to the dimensions of a window for use in a frame;~~ and

at least two ~~one~~ angle joints joint configured to be received by a respective ~~reciprocating~~ channel in an extruded portion.

21. (currently amended) A kit according to claim 20, including additionally comprising a cover securable to a respective one of ~~for hiding~~ the angle joints joint during use.

22. (currently amended) A kit according to claim 20, including additionally comprising a positioning guide for adjustably securing ~~allowing controlled positioning of~~ the frame relative to the window casing.

23. (currently amended) A kit according to claim 20, including additionally comprising ~~the components for preparing a blind suitable for use with a frame made from the kit.~~

24. (currently amended) A kit according to claim 23, including 20 additionally comprising means for securing the a blind to the a frame made from the kit.

25-64. (cancelled).

65. (new) A method of securing a window blind frame to a window casing using at least one window blind frame securing clip, the clip comprising a flange adapted to be located between the window casing and a glass pane located within the window casing, and a support extending substantially orthogonally from the flange, the support including at least one engaging member adapted to releasably engage the window blind frame; characterised in that the method comprises inserting the flange of the clip between a beading and/or gasket of the window casing and the glass pane and engaging the window blind frame with at least one engaging member.

66. (new) The method according to Claim 65, characterised in that the clip is generally L-shaped.

67. (new) The method according to Claim 65, characterised in that the at least one engaging member is configured to interact with an extruded portion of the window blind frame.

68. (new) The method according to Claim 65, characterised in that the engaging member is a resilient lug extending from the support.

69. (new) The method according to Claim 68, characterised in that the lug extends in a direction substantially orthogonal to the support.

70. (new) The method according to Claim 65, characterised in that the support is planar and the at least one engaging member extends outwardly from the support plane.

71. (new) A window casing including a window blind frame secured thereto, wherein the window blind frame is secured to the window casing by one or more window blind frame securing clips, characterised in that the clip comprising a flange releasably inserted between a beading and/or gasket of the window casing and a glass pane located within the window casing, and a support extending from the flange, the support including at least one engaging member releasably engaged with the window blind frame.

72. (new) A window casing according to claim 71, characterised in that the window blind frame includes a window blind secured thereto.

73. (new) A window casing according to Claim 71, characterised in that the at least one engaging member interacts with an extruded portion of the window blind frame.